programme is currently being implemented in 100 districts. National Institute of Communicable Diseases, Delhi is the nodal agency for implementation of this Programme in the country.

A proposal for a comprehensive National Programme for Control of Water Borne Diseases for implementation by the National Institute of Communicable Diseases, Delhi under the Tenth Five Year Plan has been sent to the Planning Commission for consideration.

Statement

Incidence of Acute Diarrhoeal Diseases Cholera in Tamil Nadu

Year	Acute Diarrhoeal Disease			Cholera		
	Cases	Deaths	CFR	Cases	Deaths	CFR
1997	78025	520	0.67	2261	2	0.09
1998	77677	368	0.47	1807	0	0.00
1999	74583	268	0.36	1807	1	0.06
2000	64130	195	0.30	1328	1	0.08
2001	59511	159	0.27	1110	1	0.09

CFR-Case Fatality Rate.

Regulation of medical termination of pregnancy

2936. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to regulate medical termination of pregnancy especially against illegal and unauthorized abortion; and

(b) if so, the action taken to ban untrained persons from performing abortions especially in rural areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) and (b) The Medical Termination of Pregnancy (MTP) Act, 1971 is already in force in the country. The Act provides for termination of certain pregnancies only by registered Medical Practitioners as defined in the

Act and the Rules made thereunder. The Act provides for punishment for persons who do not possess the qualifications, training and experience for conducting medical terminations of pregnancy as prescribed under the MTP—Rules. Punishment is also prescribed for the clinics which are not approved for conducting termination of pregnancies.

Formulation of national plan to control cancer

†2937. DR. A.K. PATEL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any National Plan has been formulated by Government in order to control cancer;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) to what financial aid has been provided to different States under the same during the last two years, indicating the names of the States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) and (b) Government of India had been operating the National Cancer Control Programme (NCCP) since 1975-76 which has been revised in 1984-85. It consists of 5 components, details of which may be seen in the Statement-I *(See* below).

(c) Details of Financial Assistance provided to different States under National Cancer Control Programme during the last two years are given in Statement-I I.

Statement-I

National Cancer Control Programme

Development of Oncology Wing

This scheme is available only for Government Medical Colleges to fill up the geographical gaps in the detection and treatment of cancer

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.